

with the National Environmental Policy Act, except those portions of a document revealing an exploitable vulnerability or design element that is UCNI;

(2) Documents or material that a Reviewing Official determines to have been widely disseminated in the public domain (e.g., to a public library or a university library); and

(3) For documents which contain UCNI, any reasonably segregable portions of documents which do not contain UCNI or which contain information otherwise exempt from disclosure.

**§ 1017.7 Identification of unclassified controlled nuclear information.**

(a) *Authorities*—(1) *Controlling Officials*. A Controlling Official having cognizance over certain government information is authorized to make a determination that the government information is or is not UCNI. A Controlling Official with overall cognizance over UCNI under consideration for decontrol is authorized to make a determination that the information is no longer UCNI. Each Controlling Official having cognizance over UCNI under consideration for decontrol shall concur in the determination to decontrol the UCNI prior to the UCNI being decontrolled.

(2) *Designation*. The Secretary may designate the Deputy Secretary, the Under Secretary, a Secretarial Officer of the DOE, or a Manager of a DOE Operations Office to be a Controlling Official for government information within his or her cognizance. The Controlling Official may redelegate his or her authority in accordance with the redelegation provisions in the designation of authority from the Secretary.

(3) Controlling Officials shall exercise their authorities in strict compliance with the rules, prohibitions, and exemptions described in these regulations.

(b) *Criteria*. Prior to a specific type of information being identified and controlled as UCNI, a Controlling Official shall insure that the information under review meets each of the following criteria:

(1) The information is government information.

(2) The information is limited to information concerning atomic energy defense programs.

(3) The information is within the scope of at least one of the three categories of UCNI in § 1017.8.

(4) Unauthorized dissemination of the information under review meets the adverse effect test in § 1017.9.

(5) The information is the minimum amount of information necessary to be controlled to protect the health and safety of the public or the common defense and security.

(6) The purpose for controlling the information is not prohibited under § 1017.5.

(7) The information is not exempt from these regulations under § 1017.6.

(c) *Procedures*. A Controlling Official shall report each determination to control or decontrol UCNI to the Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs for—

(1) Inclusion in the quarterly report required in § 1017.11; and

(2) Incorporation into guidelines which Reviewing Officials consult in their review of documents and material for UCNI.

**§ 1017.8 Categories of unclassified controlled nuclear information.**

In order for information to be considered for control as UCNI, it must be within the scope of at least one of the following categories and it must meet each of the other criteria in § 1017.7(b).

(a) *Category A—Unclassified Controlled Production or Utilization Facility Design Information*. This category includes certain unclassified government information concerning—

(1) The design of production or utilization facilities which are related to atomic energy defense programs; or

(2) Design-related operational information concerning the production, processing, or utilization of nuclear material for atomic energy defense programs.

(b) *Category B—Unclassified Controlled Safeguards and Security Information*. This category includes certain unclassified government information concerning security measures for the protection of—

(1) Production or utilization facilities related to atomic energy defense programs;

(2) Nuclear material to be used for military applications, regardless of its